

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
Olympia, Washington**

To: Indian Health Service Providers
Tribal 638 Health Clinic Providers
Managed Care Organizations

Memorandum No: 07-59
Issued: August 23, 2007

From: Douglas Porter, Assistant Secretary
Health and Recovery Services
Administration (HRSA)

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Subject: Tribal Health Program: Encounter Rate Increase

This memorandum informs Indian Health Services (IHS) and Tribal 638 Health Clinic providers of an increase in the IHS encounter rate **retroactive for claims with dates of service on and after January 1, 2007.**

What has changed?

Retroactive for claims with dates of service on and after January 1, 2007, the IHS encounter rate was increased from \$242.00 per encounter to \$256.00 per encounter. (A copy of the Federal Register is attached.)

Effective immediately, please use the new IHS encounter rate of \$256.00 when billing for Medicaid-covered services provided on and after January 1, 2007.

Rebilling

Do not rebill claims that HRSA has already paid. By November 1, 2007, HRSA will process a one-time mass adjustment to pay providers the difference between the old and the new encounter rate. This adjustment will affect claims for dates of service through August 31, 2007, which were finalized and paid at the old billed rate of \$242.00. After HRSA finalizes the mass adjustment, providers must adjust any claims not identified in the adjustment process to receive the higher payment.

How do I conduct business electronically with HRSA?

You may conduct business electronically with HRSA by accessing the WAMedWeb at <http://wamedweb.acs-inc.com>.

How can I get HRSA's provider documents?

To obtain DSHS/HRSA provider numbered memoranda and billing instruction, go to the DSHS/HRSA website at <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov> (click *the Billing Instructions and Numbered Memorandum* link). These may be downloaded and printed.

Dated: June 14, 2007.

Catrina Conner,

*Acting Assistant Reports Clearance
Officer, Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Privacy Act of 1974: New System of Records

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services
Administration (HRSA), HHS.

ACTION: Notification of new system of
records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is publishing notice of a proposal to add a new system of records titled, "Information Center (IC) Integrated Clearinghouse System (IC/ICS)," System No. 09-15-0067. The HRSA IC/ICS will facilitate the delivery of publications and requested information by members of the general public. The HRSA IC/ICS will also enable HRSA to deliver information efficiently through physical mailings or broadcast e-mail messages to HRSA Grantee organizations and other interested parties.

DATES: HRSA invites interested parties to submit comments on the proposed New System of Records on or before July 30, 2007. HRSA has sent a Report of New Systems of Records to Congress and to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The New System of Records will be effective 40 days from the date submitted to OMB unless HRSA receives comments which would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Please address comments to Donn Taylor, Health Resources and Services Administration, Division of Management Services, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 14A-20, Rockville, Maryland 20857; Telephone (301) 443-0204. Comments received will be available for inspection at this same address from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. This is not a toll-free number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tina Cheatham, Acting Director, Office of Communications, Health Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 14-27, Rockville, Maryland 20857, Telephone: 301-443-3376.

Please note this is not a toll free telephone number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Health Resources and Services Administration proposes to establish a new system of records: "The HRSA Information Center (IC) Integrated Clearinghouse System (ICS)," HHS/HRSA/Office of Communications. The HRSA Information Center provides easy access to a diversity of resources and a broad range of health information from over 70 Agency programs. The HRSA Information Center makes this information available to the public, health care professionals, policy makers and researchers to enhance their access to vital knowledge generated by HRSA supported public health programs.

Dated: May 31, 2007.

Elizabeth M. Duke,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Indian Health Service

Reimbursement Rates for Calendar Year 2007

AGENCY: Indian Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is given that the Director of Indian Health Service (IHS), under the authority of sections 321(a) and 322(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 248 and 249(b)), Public Law 83-568 (42 U.S.C. 2001(a)), and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), has approved the following rates for inpatient and outpatient medical care provided by IHS facilities for Calendar Year 2007 for Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and beneficiaries of other Federal programs. The Medicare Part A inpatient rates are excluded from the table below as they are paid based on the prospective payment system. Since the inpatient rates set forth below do not include all physician services and practitioner services, additional payment may be available to the extent that those services meet applicable requirements. Public Law 106-554, section 432, dated December 21, 2000, authorized IHS facilities to file Medicare Part B claims with the carrier for payment for physician and certain other practitioner services provided on or after July 1, 2001.

Inpatient Hospital Per Diem Rate (Excludes Physician/Practitioner Services)

Calendar Year 2007

Lower 48 States: \$1,725.

Alaska: \$2,208.

Outpatient Per Visit Rate (Excluding Medicare)

Calendar Year 2007

Lower 48 States: \$256.

Alaska: \$398.

Outpatient Per Visit Rate (Medicare)

Calendar Year 2007

Lower 48 States: \$201.

Alaska: \$356.

Medicare Part B Inpatient Ancillary Per Diem Rate

Calendar Year 2007

Lower 48 States: \$353.

Alaska: \$613.

Outpatient Surgery Rate (Medicare)

Established Medicare rates for
freestanding Ambulatory Surgery
Centers

Effective Date for Calendar Year 2007 Rates

Consistent with previous annual rate revisions, the Calendar Year 2007 rates will be effective for services provided on/or after January 1, 2007 to the extent consistent with payment authorities including the applicable Medicaid State plan.

Dated: January 4, 2007.

Charles W. Grimm,

*Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Indian
Health Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health,
Public Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned by an agency of the U.S. Government and are available for licensing in the U.S. in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally-funded research and development. Foreign patent applications are filed on selected

